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Attorney Docket No. 42390P11635

First Inventor David J. Norris, et al.

Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AN AUDIO BRIDGE

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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- Descriptive title of the Invention  
- Cross References to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
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or a computer program listing appendix  
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- Brief Summary of the Invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
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4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 4]
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i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
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1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
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13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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| Application Number   |                   |
| Filing Date          | December 12, 2001 |
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| 101                   | 740                   | 201                   | 370                   | Utility filing fee     | 740.00   |
| 106                   | 330                   | 206                   | 165                   | Design filing fee      |          |
| 107                   | 510                   | 207                   | 255                   | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 108                   | 740                   | 208                   | 370                   | Reissue filing fee     |          |
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740.00

## EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Extra Claims Fee from below

Total Claims: 19 - 20\*\* = 0 X 18.00 = \$0.00

Independent Claims: 5 - 3\*\* = 2 X 84.00 = \$168.00

Multiple Dependent

| Large Entity Fee Code | Large Entity Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description   |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 103                   | 18                    | 203                   | 9                     | Claims in excess of 20                                    |
| 102                   | 84                    | 202                   | 42                    | Independent claims in excess of 3                         |
| 104                   | 280                   | 204                   | 140                   | Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid                     |
| 109                   | 84                    | 209                   | 42                    | **Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 110                   | 18                    | 210                   | 9                     | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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| 105                   | 130                   | 205                   | 65                    | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 127                   | 50                    | 227                   | 25                    | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.                    |          |
| 139                   | 130                   | 139                   | 130                   | Non-English specification  |          |
| 147                   | 2,520                 | 147                   | 2,520                 | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     |          |
| 112                   | 920*                  | 112                   | 920*                  | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 113                   | 1,840*                | 113                   | 1,840*                | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 115                   | 110                   | 215                   | 55                    | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 116                   | 400                   | 216                   | 200                   | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 117                   | 920                   | 217                   | 460                   | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 118                   | 1,440                 | 218                   | 720                   | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 128                   | 1,960                 | 228                   | 980                   | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 119                   | 320                   | 219                   | 160                   | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 120                   | 320                   | 220                   | 160                   | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 121                   | 280                   | 221                   | 140                   | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 138                   | 1,510                 | 138                   | 1,510                 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 140                   | 110                   | 240                   | 55                    | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 141                   | 1,280                 | 241                   | 640                   | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 142                   | 1,280                 | 242                   | 640                   | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 143                   | 460                   | 243                   | 230                   | Design issue fee   |          |
| 144                   | 620                   | 244                   | 310                   | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 122                   | 130                   | 122                   | 130                   | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
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| 126                   | 180                   | 126                   | 180                   | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 581                   | 40                    | 581                   | 40                    | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 146                   | 740                   | 246                   | 370                   | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
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